

### **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

An image removing method including bringing an outermost layer of a removing member into contact with an image fixed on an image support without applying a liquid to the image while  
5 heating the image and the outermost layer; and separating the removing member from the image support to remove the image from the image support, wherein the removing member includes a substrate and the outermost layer which is located overlying the substrate and which includes a thermoplastic resin, and  
10 wherein the image includes a removing agent which can decrease adhesion force of the image to the image support when heated.